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Advertisements.

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"CODE."  
c/o Office of This Paper.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1899. [1468a]

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR  
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND  
YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"PRINZ HEINRICH,"  
of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Captain H. Supper, due here with the outward  
German Mail about the 29th instant, will leave  
for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further particulars, apply to  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1899. [1394a]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"COROMANDEL,"  
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—  
From London, &c., ex S.S. Victoria & Arabia.  
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Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
1 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 1st December, at 4  
P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns and a certificate of the damage ob-  
tained from the Godown Company within ten  
days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which  
no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1899. [15]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP,  
LONDON, COLOMBO AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KAMAKURA MARU,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods  
are being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
Noon, TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 30th instant, will  
be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the  
Godowns where they will be examined  
on THURSDAY, the 30th instant, and  
MONDAY, the 4th December, both days at  
10 A.M., upon notice of such damage being sent  
in beforehand to this office.

All claims must reach the undersigned before  
the 4th December, or they will not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 25th November, 1899. [1467a]

## NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the "HONGKONG  
TELEGRAPH" have this Day been  
removed to No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD  
CENTRAL, Second Floor, (the premises  
formerly occupied by Messrs. POWELL & Co.)  
to which address all communications should  
be addressed.

ETH. F. SKERTCHLY,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1899.

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,  
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AS USUAL AT THIS SEASON OF

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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1899.

## TELEGRAMS.

Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

LI HUNG-CHANG TO VISIT  
TREATY PORTS.

SHANGHAI, November 25th.

Li Hung-chang has been appointed, by  
the Empress Dowager, Imperial Commis-  
sioner of Commercial Affairs and has been  
commanded to visit the various Treaty Ports  
and thoroughly investigate commercial  
affairs therein.

Received at 4.10 p.m.

Published at 7.00 p.m.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

Indisposition of Lord Salisbury.

LONDON, November 23rd.

Lord Salisbury is suffering from influenza  
and unable to transact business.

## The War.

Several reports suggest the conclusion that  
the Boers are making a determined rush  
towards Pietermaritzburg. Their largest force  
of 7,000 men, with guns, is reported 25 miles  
from Howick under the personal command  
of General Joubert, and 3,000 Free Staters  
are marching East via Fort Nottingham.

## Sorties from Kimberley.

The Kimberley garrison made two sorties  
on the 16th and 17th and sharp fighting took  
place. British casualties one killed and nine  
wounded.

## Chinese in the Philippines.

Consequent on fresh Chinese protests  
President McKinley has instructed General  
Otis to simply carry out in the Philippines  
the provisions of the Chinese exclusion act  
as applied in America.

## The War.

The Boers commenced shelling the British  
camp at the Mooi River yesterday. No  
damage was done.

General Hildyard, with about 2,000 men,  
commands at Estcourt, thus two bodies are  
isolated from the base where General Clery  
is collecting his forces and resting the newly  
landed cavalry and artillery horses.

## Great Britain.

Mr. Chamberlain visited Lord Salisbury  
at Hatfield on Wednesday and went to  
Windsor yesterday, where he conferred with  
Graf von Hatzfeldt and afterwards with  
Count von Buelow. The Emperor William  
then received Mr. Chamberlain.

## The Relief of Kimberley.

News from the Orange River station states  
that on the 23rd instant the British engaged  
the enemy at Belmont. The Artillery  
practise was magnificent and the infantry  
carried the hills at the point of the bayonet,  
clearing the Boers out of their positions.

## Movements of General Buller.

General Buller has gone to Natal.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—  
On the 25th at 11.35 a.m. the barometer has  
risen slightly in the Philippines, fallen moder-  
ately on the China coast. Pressure remains  
high over China. Gradients slight on the coast,  
moderate with fresh monsoon in the N. part of  
the China Sea. FORECAST:—Moderate N.E.  
winds; fine.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. Harry Franklin gave a very successful  
slight-of-hand performance on board H.M.S.  
Centurion yesterday evening. It is to be re-  
peated to-night on board the Endymion.

The congregation of the Union Church will be  
pleased to hear that their pastor, the Rev. G. J.  
Williams arrived to-day by the *Coromandel* and  
will preach to-morrow, morning and evening.

The Acting Consul-General for the Nether-  
lands courteously informs us that he has re-  
ceived telegraphic advice from the Govern-  
ment of Netherlands India to the effect that  
Hongkong is now proclaimed a non-infected  
port and all quarantine restrictions have been  
rescinded.

The Regimental Cup tie match played yester-  
day afternoon between B and G Cos., R.W.F.,  
resulted in a win for the latter team by five  
goals to one. It will be remembered that the  
losers recently beat C Co. by eight goals to one  
so that there is every indication of G Co. carry-  
ing off the much coveted trophy.

The Band of the Hongkong Regiment will  
play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening, from  
8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME.

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In our report of the Legislative Council meet-  
ing in last night's issue, in the second para-  
graph, we inadvertently allowed a compositor  
to substitute the name of the Hon. T. H. White-  
head in place of that of the Hon. Colonial  
Secretary. We apologise for the mistake. Mr.  
Whitehead is not Colonial Secretary yet but  
our erring compositor appears to have a shrewd  
idea as to the best manner in which to put the  
Hongkong administrative body right. We wish  
his change could be effected.

KONORAH, the modern witch and mistress of  
mysteries, who is now performing in Shanghai,  
will, we understand, visit Hongkong shortly  
with her company and will give three per-  
formances, opening about the 5th proximo. In  
a recent issue the *Japan Gazette* said:—"The  
Modern Witch and Mistress of Mysteries, as  
she is aptly styled on the programme gave her  
initial performance in the Public Hall on  
Saturday evening, and a large audience had  
assembled when Mr. Berol opened the proceed-  
ings with an exhibition of conjuring. Each  
feat was exceedingly well performed and met  
with a hearty reception from the audience.  
Madame Konorah gave some exhibitions of  
thought reading, in the course of which she  
displayed remarkable skill and ability."  
The entertainment is well worth a visit.

H. E. KANG YI, Assistant Grand Secretary,  
President of the Board of War, has at last  
year for Peking, says the *N. C. D. News* of  
17th. He came down south, it will be re-  
membered, by the *Anping* and seemed to have  
taken a liking for that steamer, as he signified  
his desire to return north by her. But on  
Tuesday afternoon he suddenly received a wire  
from his friends in Peking giving the news that  
again at preventing him from returning to  
Peking. This decided him to take the first  
steamer leaving for Tientsin, the *Hsin-yi*. The  
suddenness of Kang Yi's departure is said to  
have taken the local mandarins by such surprise  
that there was much confusion in seeing him  
off, each mandarin appearing singly or in  
couples, instead of all together headed by the  
Taotai and the Lieut.-Colonel in Command of  
the City Garrison, who are the chief civil and  
military mandarins of this port. So anxious  
was Kang Yi to get to Tientsin without being  
turned off midway by a telegram ordering him  
to proceed to Szechuan, as was the intention  
of Jung Lu and Prince Ching, that he desired  
the *Hsin-yi* to proceed straight up to Tangku  
without calling at Chefoo.

## OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

JULY 1899.

Dr. Geo. H. Bateson Wright, D.D., court-  
ously sends us the following:—

Superintending Examiner—Rev T. W. Pearce.

BOYS.

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## PROTEST BY MR. WHITEHEAD.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead has sent us the  
following for publication:—

Protest by the undersigned Unofficial Member  
of the Legislative Council of Hongkong  
with reference to the Estimates for Public  
Works Extraordinary, during the year  
1900, and against the refusal of the  
Government to reconsider and remodel  
them.

A careful consideration of the Estimates  
for the coming year and of the statement to  
the Council with which His Excellency the  
Governor introduced the Estimates, suggest  
one or two points in connection with the  
financial position of the Colony generally and  
especially in connection with the Public  
Works Extraordinary proposed to be executed  
or commenced in 1900, which appear to  
require attention and consideration.

1. In the first place the Colony is to be con-  
gratulated upon the fact that in spite of the  
very large and totally unforeseen expenditure  
incurred in taking over the New Territory, the  
corrected Estimates for the current year show  
a probable credit balance on the 31st Decem-  
ber next of \$400,000, including therein a  
balance from 1898 of \$90,000. The revenue in  
nearly all its items has shown a surprising  
elasticity and the amount realised by the sales  
of land has been exceptionally large. In fact,  
the greater portion of the estimated surplus is  
derived from that source. There can be no  
more convincing proof of the growth and  
prosperity of the Colony (although other proofs  
are not wanting) than this increase in the  
quantity of land sold and the amount of premium  
received on such sales.

2. His Excellency the Governor in his open-  
ing statement put the credit balance from last  
year at \$90,000 or thereabouts, and the balance  
at the end of the current year as shown by the  
corrected Estimates at about \$315,000, so mak-  
ing up the estimated total of \$400,000. His  
figures for 1898 are taken apparently from the  
Treasurer's Financial Returns laid on the table  
with the draft Estimates (Paper No. 40 of 1899).

This paper in its amended form includes two  
statements of the Assets and Liabilities of  
the Colony at the end of 1898 differing  
very considerably from one another and  
both of which cannot be correct. His  
Excellency seems to have adopted  
that dated the 13



## FOOTBALL COMMENTS.

The match on Monday last between the Club and the Royal Artillery was, without doubt, the best which has taken place this season. The Club were without Howard and Lowe while the Artillery were without several from the 38th Co. otherwise both teams were at practically full strength. From start to finish the game was hard fought all through, every player was working for all he was worth and the result was as spirited a game as the spectators could wish for. The result was a draw, neither side having scored. During the latter half the Club were pressing most of the time, but otherwise there was no advantage on either side. The Artillery played up well, considering that the team had probably never played together before, played a very good game indeed. Their defence was the strongest part of the team, especially the half-backs, and the centre half in particular. This gentleman played in socks and shoes and seemed to trouble no more about kicks or bruises than if he had been playing in the nursery. The forwards played a good game but were not very well together, the right wing not seeming to be able to combine with each other or the rest of the forwards. The Club defence played a very hard game and were, without doubt, the mainstay of the team, in fact it was a back and half-backs match. The two Club backs acquitted themselves very well, especially the right back and it was a treat to watch his powerful kicking at times, a feature which has been lacking in the Club back play for several seasons. The left back, although not playing quite so strongly as his mate, showed very well and showed he possessed both speed and resource. With a little more practice these two will make a very useful pair. There was nothing much to choose between the halves, they all worked hard and vigorously; a little wildness and carelessness, at times, to be observed in their play, particularly the wing halves, but this should disappear as the season progresses.

The forwards worked well, up to a certain point and there they failed altogether. Of course, the point where they failed to play best; viz. near their opponents' goal. The left wing played very well together and there was not very much wrong with them except an inclination to keep the ball in their own corner too long. The right wing and the centre forward, although doing well in midfield, played shockingly in front of goal, keeping the ball to themselves, taking it forward and back, stopping it for several moments to get in the position they liked best to shoot from, and generally fiddling about with it in a most reprehensible manner. The result was they hardly ever shot at all. The sooner they manage to grasp the idea that they must shoot or pass, particularly the former, as soon as they first touch the ball, and not wait until their opponents give them a favourable opportunity, the better. The more shooting the more goals are scored and if they can't have the ball as they want it, they should take it as they get it and not mess about with it till it is taken away from them. Another important point they have to learn is that a pass is no good at all unless the ball goes to one of their own men and not only goes to him but goes so that he can get hold of it.

The second team drew their match on Wednesday but there was not much football in it, the players rushing about all over the place on the "lets-have-a-kick-at-any-price" principle. Let us hope they will soon settle steadily down to trying to play the game.

Two excellent Rugby matches were played, especially Thursday's, and the Club may congratulate themselves on winning it. With a little careful training the team should with practice from the strength which has represented the Club for many seasons.

We understand the *Barfleur* are very disappointed at their entry being too late for the competition. It was received by telegram two days after the draw.

It appears they were ignorant of the time the entries closed and thought it was the same as last season when the time was extended on account of the present Regiment not arriving till Xmas. A special committee meeting is being called to consider their application to be allowed to enter. Everyone would like to see them in the competition but we do not see how the Committee can very well consent to let them take part now unless the consent is obtained of every team which has entered.

## COMING EVENTS.

On Monday afternoon on the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play a Company of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Kick-off at a quarter past four o'clock. The Club team will be—F. H. Kew, goal; B. G. M. Johnston and C. H. P. Hay, halves; J. W. Looker, C. Kew and W. Howard, forwards; J. E. Lee, H. E. Green, J. F. Noble, H. C. R. Hancock and J. D. Danby, forwards.

On Wednesday the Hongkong Football Club will play H.M. destroyers *Faint and Watling*. Kick-off at half-past four sharp. The A team will be—D. Wood, goal; C. H. P. Hay and H. Pinckney, backs; T. W. Hornby, S. L. Jenkins and A. M. Beattie, halves; J. E. Lee, E. J. Libeaud, A. F. Williamson, H. A. Seeh and F. H. Kew, forwards.

On Thursday, the Club will play a return match with the Navy under Rugby rules. The following Shield Ties have been arranged—

Saturday, Dec. 9th, D Co., R.W.F., v. H Company, R.W.F.

Saturday, Dec. 16th, A Company, R.W.F., v. 38th Company, R.A.

Friday, Dec. 22nd, Engineers' Institute, v. F Company, R.W.F.

Saturday, Dec. 23rd, G Company, R.W.F., v. Victoria Recreation Club.

Saturday, Dec. 30th, Hongkong Football Club v. 35th Company, Southern Division, R.A.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

SIR,—I have waded through H. E. T.'s 3 volume novel, with its humorous preface, in your yesterday's issue, but can make nothing of it. As it seems unfair to provoke him to further painful efforts, this discussion, as far as I am concerned, is closed.

I am, Sir, &c., OBSERVER.

Hongkong, November 25th, 1899.

## PEKING.

Something very important is evidently on the tapis here just now. It looks like the calm preceding a storm, to those of the lower ranks in the government offices and *yamhs*. Officials not "in the know" are wondering what is going to take place, and some have even heard that families are being sent to the country to be safe, so to speak, but at the same time the anticipated storm does burst. For once the higher officials at Court have succeeded in keeping a secret from leaking to the outside world. But the names of

these three countries as the source of the expected explosion. Further, it now transpires that the Empress Dowager's

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS are not being held merely for the sake of doing her honour but really in order to gather around her all her highest military officers with whom she can hold a grand consultation on the present crisis without exciting the suspicions of the Ministers of the Foreign Powers, who might be expected to ask

UNPLEASANT QUESTIONS as to the reason of such a grand "mobilisation" of General officers. The consultation in question took place three days ago in the Empress Dowager's Palace, at which there were present Jung Lu, Generalissimo of the Chinese armies of the North; his four Generals of Corps, Sung Ching, Tung Fu-shiang (these two hold the rank of Marshal, *i.e.* *Kung-fu*), Nish Shieh-cheng, and Yuan Shih-kai, and Princes Ching and Tuan, Commandant-General and Vice-Commandant-General, respectively, of the Peking Field Force, and other Muchu troops in the capital. The result was kept secret, the greatest care being taken to clear out all but the most trusted eunuchs and Palace officers on duty from the Throne-hall. It is also significant of the signs of the times that

H.I.M. KUANG HSU was also not a taker in the deliberations of the Secret Military Council. But since then down to the present time of writing not a day has passed without at least two secret meetings of these Generals, either at the house where General Tung Fu-shiang is temporarily residing, the house of Jung Lu, or at the Palace of Prince Tuan. Evidently the crisis is important enough to sink all private feelings of rivalry, for

A TRUCE has been pitched up between Jung Lu and Prince Ching, made, it is asserted, at the express command of the Empress Dowager who threatened to cashier and imprison any one who disobeyed her order. Hence, during the last few days we have been seeing these two powerful subjects of the Empress Dowager hobnobbing in the Palace Ante-room, a sight that has not been seen for some months.

THE JAPANESE, and there are at least a hundred of them here as "tourists" and what-not, seen to get on with the officials splendidly. Every courtesy is extended to them and the cordiality between the two peoples is being firmly cemented just now, a thing devoutly to be desired.—W. C. D. News.

## WAR NEWS BY WIRE.

From Our Exchanges.

## Estcourt.

LONDON, November 8th. Reuter, wiring from Estcourt on the 6th instant, says that a force with artillery has started for an unknown destination; but firing has been heard in the direction of Colenso.

## The Bombardment of Mafeking.

BOMBAY, November 9th. A telegram to the *Bombay Gazette* states that further news concerning the bombardment of Mafeking shows that the British loss was slight, notwithstanding the terrible cannonade which the Boers maintained. Under cover of this the Boers advanced in the open to attack the town. When they got within short range, the Maxim guns opened a murderous fire, before which the enemy turned and fled. Their losses were terrible.

## The Fire at Kimberley.

CALCUTTA, November 9th. A London special states that the fire at Kimberley is reported to have burnt itself out. Fortunately, beyond the destruction of grass for some miles around, no damage has been done.

## A Paris War Fund.

The fund started in Paris in aid of a contingent of French and other Continental volunteers, which it was intended to despatch to help the Boers, now amounts, after extraordinary efforts, to a sum sufficient to equip twelve men.

## The Fighting round Ladysmith.

LONDON, November 9th. The *Times* in a telegram from Maritzburg dated the 6th instant, says that later accounts of Thursday's and Friday's battles around Ladysmith modify previous details of the engagements, which were, however, successful to the British.

## A Disabled Transport.

The transport *Peruvia* with a squadron of the 6th Kniskilling Dragoons, has been towed into St. Vincent, having been found close to the rocks with her shaft broken and other damage.

## Royal Condolences.

The Queen has written to Lieut. Egerton's mother condoling with her in her bereavement.

## News from Delagoa.

November 10th. The following telegrams are published by the *Times*:—Delagoa is full of Secret Service Police, getting information respecting the movements of the Imperial troops. The wire from Delagoa to Pretoria is not cut or broken by the recent hurricane. The principal Transvaal Agent here is agent to the Steamer Company. A commando of 800 men is near Komati Poort. Women are also leaving Durban for Pretoria with news, passes being too easily granted at Durban. I understand a commando from Colenso is marching on Greytown. I learn, also from English sources, that Johannesburg is stripped of guns and denuded of men, and police are composed of Russian Jews.

## The Basutos.

A despatch from Aliwal North emphasises the growing Basuto discontent. Sir G. Y. Layden is acting splendidly, and Lerethodi is willing to accept his advice. Colenso is quiet.

## North Cape Colony.

The destruction by the Boers of the second bridge at Achterrang was obviously a defensive measure. Attempts to destroy portions of the western railway line, between there and De Aar have been frustrated by admirable precautions and repairing arrangements. The telegraph is stopped north of Burghersdorp.

## Details coming in.

BOMBAY, 10th November. A London telegram to the *Bombay Gazette* states that a pigeon post from Ladysmith announces that some wounded and civilians have been removed to the special encampment; and the Boers have sent in 99 wounded from Dundas all well. Kimberley was safe on November 9th, and Mafeking on October 27th. Some Gordon Highlanders wounded at Elandsfontein declare that the Boers opened a fire after showing four white flags, and their kills being conspicuous caused many deaths. President Kruger is in good health, and is quite unmoved by the course of events. After he has finished his duties he smokes placidly on his *stoep* (the verandah of his house).

## Boer Treachery and British Indignation.

CALCUTTA, November 10th.

A special telegram from London states that the utmost indignation is being felt, and expressed, in all parts of the country owing to the persistent reports received from the seat of war of the gross acts of treachery of the Boers. These statements are not limited to the treacherous conduct of the enemy in the action near Ladysmith; but it is deliberately stated that they have in more than one instance fired on the white flag. The similar experiences in the war of 1881 give colour to the reports, and consequently the last vestige of sympathy for the Boers is destroyed. A good illustration of the feeling of the country at the present juncture is found in the somewhat sudden action of the Cardiff Conservative Association, which promptly called upon Mr. Maclean to resign his seat owing to his uncompromising opposition to the war. His constituents have long temporised with him; but up to this point seemed reluctant to take the final step owing to the undoubted good work he has done in other directions, and his sturdy independence; but the wave of indignation against the Boers precipitated matters, and swamped all other considerations, save that of abhorrence of their members' sympathy for a nation showing no regard for truth and faith.

All the country is the same as Cardiff, and it is safe to say no other war during the present century has been so universally and genuinely popular. Great store is laid on the forthcoming visit of the Kaiser to England, and the statement made to-day that he will be accompanied by the Empress has given great satisfaction. Most elaborate preparations are being made to invest the occasion with the utmost importance and to impart to the welcome an unequalled heartiness. Political critics affect to see in the chronological sequence of the visit of the Czar to the Emperor of Germany and of the latter to the Queen an *entente* among the three Great Powers, which will prevent the Boer war becoming the excuse for a great Continental conflagration. The action of the Emperor prohibiting German officers, whether active or unattached, from taking service in the Transvaal, though belated, is welcomed as a change in German opinion of England, from one of opposition and distrust to that of sympathy and support.

## Native Reports Discredited.

LONDON, November 10th. The cruisers *Terrible* and *Thetis* are at Durban. All correspondents agree that the native stories of the fighting on the 2nd and 3rd instant are baseless, though General White's activity somewhat checked the surrounding movement of the Boers. The armoured train from Estcourt on the 6th, however, found the Boers occupying Colenso.

## Re-Inforcements.

The steamer *Goth*, sailing to-day, will take on the *Princess* troops at St. Vincent. The transport *Maor*, with the staffs of three Brigades, has arrived at Cape Town. The Prince of Wales, accompanied by Lord Wolseley and the Duke of Cambridge, inspected the Life Guards detachment prior to their departure for the Cape.

The War Office, besides the new Division, is mobilising 100 per cent. of the Army Corps reserve; also a siege-train consisting of 33 officers, 100 men, and 30 howitzers, with abundant store ammunition. The embarkation of the 1st Battalion, Gordon Highlanders on the *Libby liner* *Cheshire* yesterday, at Liverpool, was the occasion of boundless enthusiasm. The men were jubilant, and whiled away the time at the docks with sword dances and Highland flings. Lady White bade farewell to her son; and all tenders and available stages on both sides of the Mersey were crowded with people.

## Speeches.

Sir Henry Fowler, speaking at Wolverhampton, declared his conscientious conviction that the present was a just and necessary war of defence, which must be supported vigorously in order to end it as speedily as possible.

The Mayor of Saltash, in Cornwall, is starting a Symons Memorial to be erected in the Parish Church there.

## What Precipitated War.

CALCUTTA, November 10th. A London special to the *Englishman* says that Lord Salisbury's speech at the Guildhall shed a flood of light upon the genesis of the present hostilities. The real cause of the war, he said, was the increase of the British garrison at the Cape. The Boers had grasped the situation. The presence of a larger number of British troops was a death-blow to their hopes of an independent Republic, extending from the Cape to the Zambesi. They determined upon the seizure of a certain strength. If this strength had been attained earlier, the Pretoria ultimatum would have been delivered earlier. It was, therefore, futile for hostile critics to blame the British authorities for not placing troops more expeditiously in the field, as the upshot would have been the same in any event.

## More Treachery.

BOMBAY, November 11th. A *Bombay Gazette* cablegram states that the Boers sent in British refugees from the Transvaal under a flag of truce. A party from Ladysmith, with a flag of truce, went out to meet them; but before they returned within our picket lines the Boers opened fire on them.

## THE PRIVATE SECRETARY,

BY EVELYN SHARP.

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PART II. During the next few days nothing of importance occurred. Alphonsine scrupulously divided his attentions between the two sisters in public, and Arthur had no reason to believe that he had any opportunity of doing otherwise in private. Joan seemed quieter than she had been, and showed no further resentment to the supposed French secretary, and indeed went out of her way to be particularly gentle in her manner towards him. But although her behaviour became stronger for him every day, he could not help noting that all her courtesy and all her merriest smiles were reserved for the moments when Alphonsine was present, and he did not augur well from this circumstance. He felt himself growing gloomier and less interesting every day, and he longed for the end of the fortnight that he might appear in his true character, and at least acquire some of Joan's respect even if her love for Alphonsine were strong enough to survive the betrayal of

his identity. For he had resolved now that come what might, he would confess the whole ridiculous plot when the question of the agreement was up; the concealment of the truth, which he had originally believed would be possible, was now out of the question. His pride, however, for he was almost morbidly proud, restrained him from suggesting to Alphonsine that the disclosure should be made at once, instead of at the end of the fortnight. He was afraid of the derision of his gay-minded friend, and he waited wearily and silently while the days dragged on.

The day before the visit of the two men was to expire, old Mr. Crookley called Alphonsine into his private study, just after breakfast. They had seen very little of their host during their stay. He passed the day among his books, rarely spoke at meal times, and since the spasmodic attempt he had made on the day of their arrival to entertain them conventionally, he had left them entirely alone. But this morning he looked anxiously over his spectacles at the young Frenchman as he entered the room, and he rubbed his hands and coughed with all the fancied importance of a man who never does any business whatever.

"To-morrow is, I believe, Mr. Wilde, the tenth of November," he began, motioning Alphonsine to a chair on the opposite side of the fireplace.

"The tenth of November? Yes, it is."

"And on the tenth of November you complete, I believe, your thirty-fifth year?" proceeded the old man solemnly.

"I do," said Alphonsine shamelessly, having reached the age of thirty-five a few months back.

"And like your father you look marvellously young, sir; considering your age and the perils you have gone through," wound up the old man, and he took to take each and collect his ideas.

"You do me much honour, Mr. Crookley," said Alphonsine with a gesture of respect.

"Your father may have mentioned to you that I was his oldest, his very oldest friend, Mr. Wilde."

"It was his constant pleasure to dwell upon it, Mr. Crookley."

"Was it so, indeed? Ah, that was strange, very strange," murmured the other in a surprised undertone.

"For I always heard that towards the close of his life there was an estrangement between you."

"That was the impression he left with me when he came to see me for the last time. Ah, Charlie Wilde was an odd fellow."

"Most eccentric, sir," responded Alphonsine, warmly.

"Well, Mr. Wilde," resumed the old man more briskly, "I will give you the particulars of that last interview. It was very generally known at the time, and it will give you no pain to hear it repeated, that he left everything, without reservation, to you."

"It was so," assented Alphonsine, wondering why Arthur had seemed so poor when he first knew him.

"And it also became known soon after, Mr. Wilde, that this amounted to nothing, for he had withdrawn all his capital from his bankers' only two months before his death. And it was never known how he had disposed of this money. His son was, there, to all appearances, a beggar; and it has only been by his own most creditable efforts that he has risen to the position he now occupies."

Alphonsine bowed, and wondered that was coming.

"Mr. Wilde, I know what became of that money. Your father came to me, the day after his visit to the bankers, and he entrusted to my care an iron box. That box contained diamonds to the value of three hundred thousand pounds, to be delivered to you by my hands on your thirty-fifth birthday. And that box stands now before you on the table. To-morrow morning it shall be yours."

Alphonsine was silent for a moment or two. "And—and my father's reason for his action?" he asked in a voice that seemed to tremble with emotion. A dozen wild schemes were rushing through his mind.

"Was an estimate, if a mistaken one, Mr. Wilde. He said that a man with a character like yours would never work his way up if that way were made too easy for him. He said that his should not be the hand to ruin his son's career. That is the whole story, my boy, and that is your fortune before you, large enough to enable you to live in comfort, and not so large as to narrow your character and buy your enterprise by inducing you to live in luxury. I see you are overwhelmed, and justly so, by such an evidence of a father's love. I understand your feelings, Mr. Wilde, and I shall say nothing if you leave me at once to my books and go and seek solitude and reflection. To-morrow, at ten o'clock, the diamonds shall be yours."

"One request I must make of you, sir," said Alphonsine, as he reached the door, "which is that you will say nothing of this to my secretary. He is a most excellent fellow but—"

"Of course, of course, these Frenchmen should never be trusted too much. I understand you, Mr. Wilde."

Alphonsine, winced with a national delicacy, and went at once in search of Joan. She was in the conservatory, watering the plants, and he came up behind her, and made prisoners of her two hands, and kissed her, before she was aware of his presence. She gave a little cry, and blushed all over, and shook herself free.

"May I not have one kiss then, *petite ange*?" he asked, beseechingly.

"I—I don't know. I am not sure that it is right. You force me against my will, Arthur. I do love you dear, you know I do; but why may I not tell Kate? It is so hard to understand."

A slight look of annoyance passed over his face.

"But you are unreasonable, *mignonne*. Do you not trust me then?"

"Yes, oh, yes, but—"

"Then if I give you leave to tell her, will you kiss me once with your sweet lips, of your own free will?"

"Her face lighted up with pleasure."

"To-morrow, *petite*, only a few hours more, and the whole world shall know. I should have spoken to your father just now if he had not been in such a hurry to return to his reading. Now, are you satisfied, *petite dildaigne*? They give me my kiss—so. And now, I have much to say to you, so take your watering-can and look after those poor little thirsty plants of yours, while I tell you what we have been saying in the study, and what I am going to do to-day."

It was getting late in the afternoon when Alphonsine sought out his unsuspecting friend in the garden, and began talking to him in a perturbed tone.

"See here, *mon ami*, a telegram from my poor mother which the maid gave me for you, and which I have of course opened. She is dying, Wilde, a terrible complication of lungs and heart; she has been a sufferer for years. I must go to her at once, will you mind if I do not wait until to-morrow? *Adieu, ma chère, ma pauvre mère*."

And he was looking forward with elation to the moment when he should declare himself in his true character, when he came across Joan in the hall, looking white and unhappy. A dull feeling of alarm passed through him. Had Alphonsine, after all, evaded his vigilance? But there was nothing noticeable in their farewell greeting in the porch; and as the supposed African explorer drove away from the door, his supposed secretary, who had been left behind to pack up his chief's papers and follow him by a morning train, was telling himself hopefully that Joan, with her childish, truthful soul, would soon learn to loathe a man who had won her affections under such circumstances. And if the disclosure did cause her pain at first, would he not be there to comfort her?

"Have you seen Joan?" said Catharine to Arthur the next morning after breakfast. She woke up with a headache this morning and would not have anything to eat. And now she has gone out and I can't find her."

Wilde said he would go and look for her, and stepped out on the lawn. The moment of the grand disclosure was drawing near, and he was feeling more light-hearted than he had felt once since his arrival in the house. He was rehearsing, vigorously, in his mind the words in which he would explain the situation to Joan, that he forgot the object of his walk, until the sight of a little figure in a grey cloak, with a black bag in her hand, scurrying through the lodge gate, some two hundred yards in front of him, recalled his wandering faculties. What could she be doing there and in that guise? A horrible suspicion flashed through his mind, and with unconcealed anxiety he leaped the pallings into the field, and managed to take a short-cut to the high road by which he was enabled to meet her casually, face to face, about ten minutes later.

"Mr. Marston—you?" she exclaimed, changing colour, and what right have you to watch me?" she added, imperiously.

"I watch you, Miss Joan?" he answered, lightly. "What should put such an idea into your head? I was just taking my morning stroll. Let me take your bag; so you are one of those good little people who visit the poor and fatherless, eh?"

"I—no—yes—that's it, of course," she faltered, clumsily. "They often are; I mean, I often do. And I like going alone best, Mr. Marston. And it is so heavy, this bag."

"Oh, I wasn't thinking of coming in with you, but I might as well see you to your destination. I didn't know your parish extended in this direction; how absurdly the boundaries—"

"Mr. Marston," she exclaimed suddenly and passionately, "I must beg you to leave me. I wish to be alone this morning. I am not clever at subterfuges; it is not true that I am going to see any poor people. And I am not going to tell you the object of my walk. Will you kindly leave me?"

"Surely, since it is your wish," he said, gravely, "but first I must beg you to bear me for a few moments. I may be gone before you return, and I have something important to tell you, something of the utmost importance."

"Will you please be as quick as possible?" she asked him piteously, moving along the road involuntarily as she spoke.

"With pleasure," he answered cordially, walking along beside her, "it will not take long, but it should be said in the form of a humble apology to your sister and your father and yourself."

"Then won't it do if you tell them instead?" she broke out impatiently.

"I—I am afraid it concerns you most, my child," he said, and felt a sudden feeling of pity for her. "I think there is no need for you to be in such a hurry now. A fortnight ago, Miss Joan, I made a mighty fool of myself, and I have been regretting it ever since. Please do not walk so fast—"

"I tell you I must hurry, you shall leave me," cried Joan, choking with suppressed anger and emotion. She snatched the bag from his hand, and turned and faced him in the middle of the road. "Who are you that dare to stop my path? What would your employer say if he were here? How dare—"

"He would not dare to be here."

"He dare? He, your master, your superior a thousand times? Go and do what he left you to do, and do not presume to bandy words with—"

"With my friends. I—it—it's a great shame," and her eloquence ended in an undignified sob.

"He is not my master nor my superior. Out of respect to your presence, Miss Joan, will not tell you what he is, other than that he is my paid secretary. A week ago, he was my friend also."

"What do you mean? I—I don't understand you. What—what has happened to everything to-day?"

"I mean that you are the victim of a wretched hoax to which I gave birth in an impulsive moment, a fortnight ago. I mean that I am Arthur Wilde, and that he, Alphonsine Marston, who went to London yesterday, is my secretary. We have been masquerading like two scoundrels, and if I, for one, had any suspicion that it was going to end like this, I would have shot myself long since."

"But—I—I don't understand," she said again. He explained it all over again, and she looked at him vaguely.

"Then—then—I am not to go? she said like a child who has half learnt its lesson.

"No, I think not. Shall we turn back?" he said gently, and touched her arm. She shrank back from him with a scream.

"What do you mean? I was not going anywhere; how dare you—stay here and listen? I hate you. So it was through you, and he—he—I—Kate, come to me."

She let him carry her indoors, for she was unconscious.

Late that evening, at the end of the most trying day he had ever spent, Catharine came and told him that Joan would like to see him. He found her lying on the sofa in a darkened room, with her face turned to the wall. After all, the grand disclosure was falling rather flat, he thought bitterly.

"Are you better?" he asked awkwardly, and cleared his throat two or three times.

"Oh, I am quite well," hastily; then, after a pause, "Mr. Wilde."

"It is really true, what you told me—this morning, was it? All of it?"

"I am afraid so, yes."

"I want to know something else, please. Was it you or—he, who thought of the whole thing?"

"It was I, Miss Joan, in the most foolish—"

"Then it was your fault, mostly?" she said, turning upon him sharply. He writhed his mouthache savagely, and felt he was not being treated quite fairly.

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## BY THE MAIL.

(From Our Exchanges.)

## Hankering After War.

Thomas Fretter, a powerfully built young man, was charged at Southwark with being a deserter. Prisoner belonged to the 12th Lancers, one of the regiments which had just been ordered to South Africa.

Mr. Kennedy: Why are you a deserter? You are just the right kind of man wanted now. Prisoner: I gave myself up.

Mr. Kennedy: You want to go to the war, I suppose?

Prisoner: I do.

He has been handed over to the military authorities.

## For Mutiny.

A Morning Leader representative visiting Gravesend on 16th ult. found the story of the hanging of a mutinous man from the yardarm of a Russian corvette to be the gossip of the town.

It is said that the act was done while the English pilot, Mr. Thomas Lygo, was on board. The corvette's name is the *Pelagide*, and she sailed from Gravesend for Hongkong on 10th October.

As an explanation of this extreme punishment it is stated that the man struck an officer and committed other acts of insubordination on board the vessel.

On October 10th, so runs the story, the corvette put out to sea, and when beyond the three-league limit the man was hanged. Had this punishment been inflicted within the nine miles limit, it would have constituted an offence in English law.

## Encouraging to Reservists.

An employee of Messrs. Sanderson and Sons, wallpaper manufacturers, writes that when it became known that several of their fellow workers had been called upon to rejoin the colours a system of weekly subscriptions was at once organised for their wives and children. The amounts range from 2d. to 6d., and not one man in the factory stood out.

The numerous reserve men called out for service at the Cape whose names are on the hire system books of the Hackney, Furnishing Company, and who have been writing to know if they will lose their furniture, will be relieved to learn that payment will not be applied for from them during their absence. Moreover, in the event of death the furniture will be handed over to the widow without any charge.

Striking examples of practical sympathy with reservists' dependents comes from Northamptonshire. In the county town itself the mayor has opened a fund for the benefit of the reservists and their dependents, and at a meeting on Saturday over 750 was promised in this hall.

At the neighbouring town of Brackley a movement has been started to secure 30 persons to contribute 3d. a week towards the support of their families.

Mr. Walter Currie, M.P. for North Bucks, has called a public meeting at the Co-operative Room, Bletchley, on Tuesday, for the purpose of adopting a scheme on behalf of the wives and children of reservists.

To mark the departure of some 200 railway engineer reserves in their employment the London and North-Western Railway Company have given notice that their crews will be reduced to the number of 7,000, will all receive a half-holiday in order to be present at the send-off of the corps.

## Half-pay for Reservists.

The directors of Messrs. Welford Sons Dairy Company announce that all reservists in the company's employ shall be reinstated in their situations on their return, and in the case of married men half-pay and the usual allowance of milk will be given to their wives and families during their absence with the colours.

Messrs. Lacon and Company, Limited, brewers, Great Yarmouth, will make the wives and families of Reservists an allowance of 10s. per week.

Messrs. Charles Cammell and Company, Cyclope Works, Sheffield, are to keep open the berths of army reserve men in their employ.

Messrs. Hicks, Gardner, and Company, of Peterborough, will allow the wives of Reservists in their employ 5s. weekly, and 1s. per week for each child.

Messrs. Kayser, Ellison, and Cox, steel manufacturers, of Sheffield, are to pay half-pay to their Reservist employees during the war.

The Brighton Railway Company have decided that Reservists who were in their employ will receive half pay during the whole time they are absent.

A considerable number of these men are employed by the London General Omnibus Company, and those called out have been informed that on their release from the service they will be re-employed by the company at the wages they were receiving when called out.

Much surprise has been caused by the issue of an order by the Home Office respecting reservists who are employed in the prison department as warders.

The order states that a temporary officer may be employed during the absence of the reservists at the rate of 3s. 4d. a day. In the majority of cases, as those officers called upon are in receipt of salary and allowances of about 5s. a day or more the Prison Commissioners instead of making some allowance to their warders who are reservists, are actually making 8d. per diem per man out of them so long as they remain with the colours, and as something like 100 warders more or less are called up, it will be seen that a goodly sum will go to the credit of the Home Office.

## Our Army.

MATTERS FOR SATISFACTION IN THE 1898 REPORT.

An anxious interest attaches this year to the annual report upon the Army, just issued by the War Office.

It is satisfactory to be able to add that upon the whole the returns show that the armed forces of the nation are in a better condition than for many years past to meet the heavy strain likely to be placed upon them.

The total strength of the army under the colours is 225,027, of whom 7,850 are officers, and 14,435 sergeants. Taken in its broad divisions, the army is composed of 145,000 infantry, 10,000 cavalry, and 38,000 artillery. The first-class army reserve stands at 78,798 men.

In several respects the army reached its highest mark during 1898. Its effective strength was higher by 10,000 men than at any period for the past 20 years—which is as far back as the returns carry us. Nominally it is under the establishment—but only nominally. The field artillery and the total deficiency is no more than 848 men—less than 9 battalions in an army numbering over a million.

In the recruiting department, it says something for the strictness of the tests that out of 84,026 men who took "the shilling" during the year only 28,896 were finally approved, of whom 22,950 came from the regimental districts. The year's recruits seem to have been an eminently satisfactory body of men. Fully 36,000 were

between 18 and 24 years of age, and only 8,000 were under 33 in chest measurement. The army obtained 5,000 more recruits in 1898 than in 1897.

Of the total force under the colours only 35,248 have less than 12 months' training, and 146,877, or four-fifths of the rank and file, are over 20 and under 30 years of age. Of the sergeants, only 31,742 are under 24.

The number of men transferred to the first-class reserve during 1898 was 16,151.

## Tommy's Food.

NO REPRODUCTION OF CUNAN COMMISSARIAT.

SCANDALS.

The question of the supply of food to our troops in South Africa is one of considerable public interest, but it is one upon which it is very difficult to obtain definite information.

The rumour that the Government have placed orders with more American firms than Australian is unfounded, for enough was gathered by a Morning Leader representative to prove that both have had a good look in, and, if anything, the Australians have had the better of it.

It has been stated that complaints have been made in reference to the extensive supply of preserved meats by American firms, "owing to the revelations that succeeded the war in Cuba when the troops were supplied with 'embalmed' beef." A member of one of the leading American houses said that what has been referred to as embalmed beef is really a fine quality of corned beef, and, he added, "plenty of embalmed beef has been sent out for the troops this time."

All the firms who have provided the food for our soldiers during the most thorough inspection, and every precaution has been taken against the supply of anything but the very best food.

The heads of the firms gathered, however, that some of the leading American firms were unable to undertake the huge orders for supplies. There is no doubt, however, that the men have been well provided for. One firm alone is supplying nearly a quarter of a million tons of corned beef, besides other preserved meats.

The official in charge at the office of the army supply reserve absolutely declined to give any information. He explained that the Yellow Press had already upset many of their plans by the publication of lying and misleading statements, and therefore he would not tell reporters anything.

SCOTT'S Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites is more reliable as an agent in the cure of Consumption, Bronchitis and General Debility, than any other remedy known to medical science. "Scott's Emulsion" has been prescribed by the most eminent medical authorities, and has also been taken by myself, and can fully endorse the opinion that it is both palatable and efficient, and can be tolerated by almost any one, especially where Cod Liver Oil itself cannot be borne. MARTIN MILLS, M.D., Sec. Stantbury, Bucks. Any Chemist can supply it. Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China, Walkins & Co., Hongkong.—(Advt.)

## NOTANDA.

## CALENDAR.

Meteorological observations on fifteen years' observations to 1898.

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Hongkong, 16th October, 1899. [1307a]

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FOR SHANGHAI.  
THE Company's Steamship.

"WUHAMPOA."  
Captain Yarrick, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant.

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Hongkong, 23rd November, 1899. [1435a]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.  
THE Company's Steamship.

"ESMERALDA."  
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1899. [1460a]

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

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Captain Helms, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 8th December, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric-light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1899. [1452a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL (DIRECT).  
(Not calling at LONDON.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"TANTALUS."  
Captain Bartlett, will be despatched on or about FRIDAY, the 15th December.

Taking Cargo to LIVERPOOL at LONDON Rates.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1899. [1466a]

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.'S "NEW YORK" LINE.

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THE Steamship.

"ASAMA."  
will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 20th December.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1899. [1447a]

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FOR PHILADELPHIA & NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.L.I. American Ship.

"ST. MARK."

Captain Dudley, is ready to take Cargo here for the above Ports and will have quick despatch.

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THE 3/3 L.L.I. American Bark.

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Captain Amshury, having arrived will shortly load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1899. [1405a]

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OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "GAELIC."

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns at Wharfe and delivery may be made either from Lighters or from Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 10th instant will be subject to sale.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1899. [1405a]

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## The Share Market.

## LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(November 25th.)

Companies. Paid up Capital. Latest quotation.

Banks.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd. \$125 349 1/2 premium

The Bank of China & Japan, Limited. (Preference) £ 5 Nominal

The Bank of China & Japan, Limited. (Ordinary) £ 4 1/2 buyers

The Bank of China & Japan, Limited. (Deferred) £ 1 1/2 buyers

National Bank of China, Ltd. Founders' Do. £ 1 1/2 20

Marine Insurances.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd. \$ 50 \$242 sales

China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd. \$ 25 \$59

North China Ins. Co., Ltd. £ 25 Tls. 200

Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd. \$ 60 \$121

Canton Ins. Office, Ltd. \$ 50 \$133

Straits Ins. Co., Ltd. \$ 20 \$55

Fire Insurances.

Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$327 sales

China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd. \$ 20 \$87 buyers

Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited. \$ 15 \$24 buyers

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. £ 10 \$82 buyers

China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$90

Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$47

China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Pref.) £ 10 £9.15 buyers

China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.) £ 10 £8 buyers

China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.) £ 5 £4.10 buyers

Star Ferry Co., Ltd. £ 5 \$213

"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd. £ 100 £230

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. \$100 \$130

Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. \$100 \$47 sales

Panjin Mining Co., Ltd. \$ 6 \$87

Panjin Mining Preference Shares. \$ 1 \$11.10

Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin. Fcs. 250 \$300 buyers

Queen Mines, Ltd. 25 cts. \$0.45

Jebeu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd. \$ 5 \$105

Raub Allan Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 15s. 10d. \$62

Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd. \$ 5 \$9

Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd. \$ 45 \$6.60

Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. \$ 5 \$1 sellers

Do. (Preference) \$ 1 50 cents sellers

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. \$125 527 1/2 sales

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$86

Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd. \$ 57 1/2 \$45 buyers

New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd. \$ 6 1/2

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.

China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. \$ 10 \$50 buyers

Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$111

Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd. \$ 30 \$28

West Point Building Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$29 1/2

Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$12 1/2

Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd. \$ 10 \$9 1/2

Cotton Mills.

Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Dyestuff Co., Ltd. \$100 \$58

Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd. Tls. 100 Tls. 65

International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd. Tls. 100 Tls. 65

Liou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. Tls. 100 Tls. 75

Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd. Tls. 300 Tls. 350

Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd. Tls. 100 Tls. 55

Miscellaneous.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. \$ 10 \$28

China-Borneo Co., Ltd. \$ 55 \$10

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited. \$ 10 \$16.25

Watkins, Limited. \$ 10 \$10

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited. \$ 10 \$10 1/2

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited. \$ 2 \$2

Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd. £ 10 £130

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$194 buyers

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd. £ 25 \$42

H'kong Ice Co., Ltd. £ 25 \$125

H'kong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd. \$100 \$147 1/2

Dairy Farm Co., Ltd. \$ 6 \$6

Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd. \$ 50 \$25

Campbell, Moore and Bell, Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd. \$ 10 \$15 buyers

United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd. £ 1 £1 nominal

United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd. \$ 10 \$10

Carmichael & Co., Ltd. \$ 20 \$8

Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd. \$ 5 \$5 per share

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Hongkong, 25th November.

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New Benares .....850

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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

CHINESE, British steamer, 1,450, J. Williams, 20th Nov.—Sydney 18th Oct., Brisbane 20th, Townsville 23rd, Cooktown 24th, Thursday Island 28th, Port Darwin 31st, Keno (Celebes Id.) 7th, and Manila 17th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

CITY OF LONDON, British steamer, 2,056, Scroff, 22nd Nov.—Hongkong 4th Nov., Ballast.—Doddwell & Co.

DAPHNE, German steamer, 1,292, Th. Nissen, 17th Nov.—Kuching 12th Nov., Conl.—Stemmen & Co.

DEUTERON, German steamer, 1,001, E. Petersen, 16th Nov.—Saigon 13th Nov., Rice.—Stemmen & Co.

DEVONSHIRE, British steamer, 1,057, Richard Curtis, 20th Nov.—Bangkok 11th Nov., and Koh-si-chang 13th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

EQUATORIA, Belgian ship, 1,236, W. Williams, 22nd Oct.—Swatow 21st Oct., Ballast.—Lauis, Wegener & Co.

FUTAMI MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,380, J. Thom, 23rd Nov.—Australia via Manila 20th Nov., General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

GARLE, British steamer, 2,691, Wm. Finch, R.N.R., 22nd Nov.—San Francisco 24th Oct., Honolulu 31st, Yokohama 14th Nov., Kobe 15th, Nagasaki 17th, and Shanghai 19th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

HAICHING, British steamer, 1,267, W. Davis, 24th Nov.—Fochow 21st Nov., Amoy 22nd, and Swatow 23rd, General.—Douglas, Laprak & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, 19th Nov.—Fochow and Amoy 18th Nov., General.—Douglas, Laprak & Co.

HANOI, French steamer, 1,359, Fannier, 23rd Nov.—Haiphong and Hanoi, 22nd Nov., General.—A. R. Marty.

HINSANG, British steamer, 1,356, Crockett, 21st Nov.—Java 11th Nov., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HOHENPOLLERN, German steamer, 2,030, H. Kirchner, 6th Nov.—Yokohama 27th Oct., Kobe 21st, and Nagasaki 2nd Nov., General.—Melchers & Co.

HUE, French steamer, 704, P. Merleus, 24th Nov.—Haiphong 22nd Nov., Rice and General.—A. R. Marty.

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Hongkong, 19th August, 1899. [1242]

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MIKE MARU	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 28th Nov., at Noon.
SANUKI MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 1st Dec., at Noon.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1899. [6]

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*KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	17th December.
Christiansen	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	24th December.
AMBRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	31st December.
Burneister	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	7th January.
*SARNIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	14th January.
Fuchs	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	21st January.
*SILEZIA	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG	28th January.
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Wednesday, 3rd Jan., 1900, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Saturday, 27th Jan., 1900, at Noon.

THE Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 9th December, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1899. [1310]

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Saturday, 16th Dec., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINA,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 16th December, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States of Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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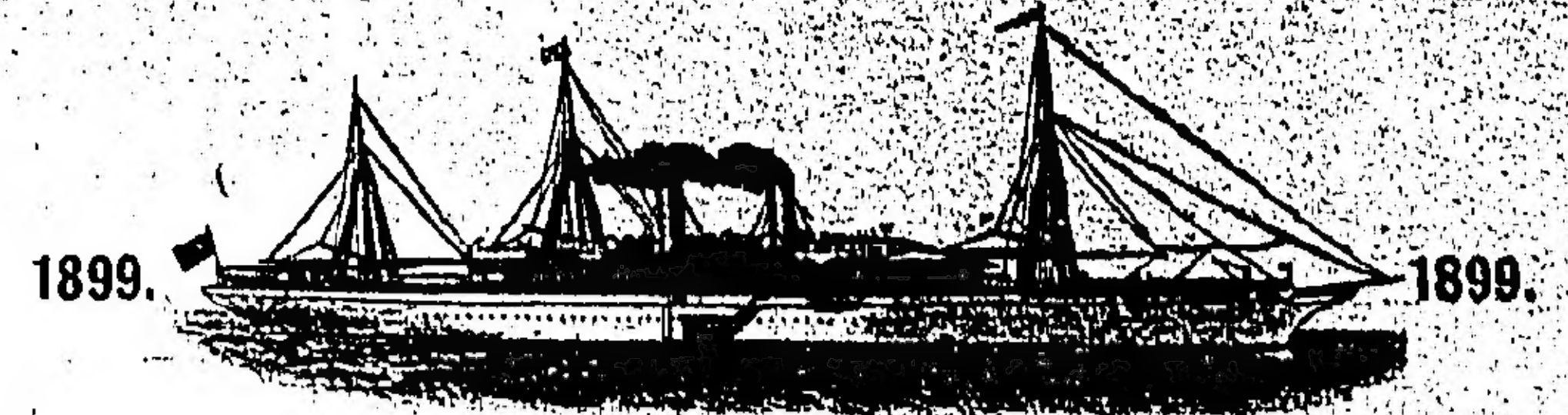
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1899. [1310]

## Mails.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.  
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)  
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 20th Dec., 1899.  
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan., 1900.  
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., 1900.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN (HOTEL)S of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &amp;c., apply to D. E. MCKAY, General Agent, Pender's Street.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1899. [5]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA &amp; SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA, &amp;c.

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Starlight... 5,023 about Dec. 15

Carlisle City... 3,002 about Dec. 31

THE Steamship

"LADY JOICEY,"

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 2nd December.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 3 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1899. [1310]

**NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.**

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA.

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Saint Irene... 3,877 | W. Attree... | Dec. 9

City of Dublin... 3,328 | J. R. K... | Dec. 30

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FOR PORTLAND, OREGON,

IN CONNECTION WITH

OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Tables. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

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The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

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Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to

DODWELL & CO. LIMITED,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1899. [1310]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Thursday, 30th Nov., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Saturday, 23rd Dec., at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Saturday, 20th Jan., 1900, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 30th instant, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1899. [1310]

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1899. [1460a]

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1899. [1382a]

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